is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Registrars of Companies were directed *inter alia* to take suitable action under the Companies Act, 1956 in respect of cases where violation of Cost Audit Provisions have been noticed. The concerned ROCs are being reminded to expedite the reports on action taken.

Appointment of Cost Auditors

416. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA :
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :
SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN :

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 90 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th May, 1992 and state :

(a) what is the number of requests for appointment of Cost Auditors that are pending with his Ministry as on date ;

(b) what are the names of the companies involved and since when the request of each company is pending ;

(c) what are the names of the companies which were required to submit Cost Audit Reports during the last year, how many of them actually submitted the reports and how many are yet to submit the same ;

(d) whether his Ministry has taken any action against the companies involved in excessive profits and misutilisation of imports ; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) and (b) Approval for appointment of Cost Auditors has been issued in respect of all applications received upto April, 92 which were complete in all respects and which fulfilled all the requirements. As on date 70 applications for appointment of Cost Auditors are pending. A list showing the names of companies involved is at Annexure [*See* Appendix CLXIV, Annexure No. 9].

(c) During the last year (1990-91) 578 companies were required to submit Cost Audit Reports, out of which 396 companies (Annexure) have already submitted the same. [See Appendix CLXIV, Annexure 10]. Cost Audit Reports from 182 companies (Annexure) are yet to be received. [See Appendix CLXIV, Annexure No. 11].

(d) and (e) Information is given in the Annexure [*See* Appendix CLXI, Annexure No. 12].

Action Against Companies

417. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU :
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :
SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN :

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 579 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th May, 1992 and state :

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to order investigation in cases where misutilisation of imports have been reported and the figures in cost audit reports have been mis-represented ; and

(b) if so, what are the grounds on which investigations are proposed to be ordered ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) No order for investigation has been made by the Department of Company Affairs under the Companies Act, 1956. However, the matter has been referred to the concerned Ministries/Departments of Government for appropriate action.

(b) Does not arise.

योजना आयोग का पुनर्गठन

418. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम (कार्यान्वयन) मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या योजना आयोग के सदस्य श्री वी० कृष्णामूर्ति की अध्यक्षता में आयोग के पुनर्गठन हेतु गठित विशेष पैनल ने अपना प्रतिवेदन प्रस्तुत कर दिया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) आयोग और उसके सचिवालय के सदस्यों की संख्या कम करने के बारे में सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया क्या है ?

योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री और गैर-पारम्परिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) योजना आयोग के पुनर्गठन तथा प्रबंध के बारे में गठित टास्क फोर्स की अंतरिम रिपोर्ट प्राप्त हो गई है । अंतरिम रिपोर्ट में की गयी सिफारिशों की मुख्य विशेषताएं हैं कि योजना आयोग को एक "थिंक टैंक" की भूमिका निभानी चाहिए तथा सुझाया गया है कि केन्द्रीय मंत्रालयों एवं राज्य सरकारों के साथ आयोग में और अधिक अंतःक्रिया को प्रोत्साहित करते हुए इस उद्देश्य को ध्यान में रखकर प्रभागों का पुनर्गठन करना चाहिए । अल्पावधिक कुशलता प्राप्त करने के लिए गैर-सरकारी परामर्शदाताओं को शामिल करने की प्रणाली को सुदृढ़ करने तथा आवश्यक इनपुट प्रदान करने में विभिन्न शैक्षणिक एवं अनुसंधान संगठनों को शामिल करने की आवश्यकता है । आयोग को सर्वोत्तम गुणवत्ता वाले कार्मिकों को प्राप्त करने का प्रयास करना चाहिए तथा वरिष्ठता, योग्यता तथा कार्य-कुशलता के आधार पर कुल संख्या के अंतर्गत उच्च ग्रेड के पदों पर नियुक्ति में लोचशीलता होनी चाहिए ।

(ग) सिफारिशों के अनुसार आयोग में पदों की संख्या कम की गई है ।

Revision of Modified Gadgil Formula

419. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of PALNNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have further revised the modified Gadgil Formula ;

(b) if so, the reasons for the revision ;

(c) what is the manner in which the revised formula differs from the modified formula ; and

(d) what is the manner in which the revised formula will be beneficial to the backward States ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Chief Ministers of some of the States hove been suggesting changes in the formula to take into account their concerns.

(c) Comparative picture of criteria and weightage under Modified Gadgil formula and formulae as revised in October, 1990 and in December, 1991 is shown in the Statement. (*See* below).

(d) 30% share of Special Category States has been restored under the formula revised in December, 1991. As for the non-Special Category States, the revised formula gives considerable weightage to the criteria of population and per capita income accounting to 85 per cent which favours the backward States. The criterion of special problems carrying weightage of 7.5 per cent also favours them